

Covid-19

Daily procedures (quick guide) for parents/students

It is very important that Beacon is 'Covid' safe. Whilst no academy can guarantee being 'Covid free' we are making the following adjustments to maximise the safety of all students and staff whilst providing as normal experience as possible.

Students will follow a normal wide curriculum with their normal specialist teachers in specialist teaching areas. This means there will be transition between lessons, as outlined below:

There will be a strict one-way movement around the academy

- Teachers and senior staff will monitor corridors during movement time to ensure the one way movement.
- Teachers will leave classroom doors open to allow students immediate entry to the lesson.
- Students must enter the room as soon as they arrive to a lesson and not line-up in corridors. This will reduce congestion and foot-fall.
- Clear signage showing 'no entry' and 'exit only' have been placed on doors and corridor to make the flow around the academy explicit.
- When students dismiss from English/dance studio they move to their next lesson via the external 'L' block door. This door is no entry.
- The 'A' Tower follows a clear one way system.
- Student move to engineering and PE via the nearest external door.
- Students move between lessons externally where possible.

Day time cleaning

There are 3 daytime cleaners, areas they will clean are as follows:

- All classroom door handles
- Dining room 1 and 2 following morning break
- Bannisters
- Classroom desks and tables (when the room is free)
- Computer equipment (CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4 and BASE)
- Student and staff toilets.
- Reception furniture
- All teachers have classroom cleaning kits.

Face coverings

We recommend that students bring face coverings and use them during movement time and at break and lunchtimes.

All staff wear a face covering when completing break and lunch duty.

Hand hygiene

- Students will be expected to use hand sanitiser on entry each morning.
- Students go straight into lesson and upon entry to each lesson, use hand sanitiser supplied.
- All students wash hands in the following lessons in Art, Engineering and Physical Education.
- Hand sanitiser stations are available for students to use throughout the academy day.

Social distancing

There is clear signage throughout the academy, either marked on the floor or with pull-up banners.

There are designated areas at break and lunch to ensure 'bubbles' are maintained, if weather permits; students will spend break and lunch on the large field allow greater social distancing.

If a student presents as unwell

There will be a temperature check each morning on entry

Students will be sent to the admin team who will call parent/carers to discuss symptoms and if appropriate, collect the student. The medical room will be out of bounds; except for children presenting as poorly and first aid staff who will wear a face screen.

'Set-aside' areas

Main Hall will not be used, except by GCSE performing arts students.

Assemblies will be virtual and beamed into classrooms.

The main hall will be left 'set-aside' to enable parents' evenings.

Reports

Reports which were not issued in the summer due to Covid lockdown will be issued this term.